

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

MARK REAVES)
Plaintiff)
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v.) Civil Action No. 04-30125-MAP
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MASSACHUSETTS ARMY NATIONAL)
GUARD, ET AL.,)
Defendants)

PROCEDURAL ORDER
RE: FINAL PRETRIAL CONFERENCE/TRIAL

PONSOR, U.S.D.J.

The above entitled action is scheduled for final pretrial conference on January 6, 2009, at 2:30 p.m. in Hampden Courtroom, U.S. District Court, 300 State Street, Springfield, Massachusetts. Each party shall be represented at the conference by trial counsel.

Trial shall commence on February 2, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. Counsel are hereby notified, however, that due to the court's congested trial docket the case may actually be called to trial on any day during the four weeks following. Counsel should stay in touch with the courtroom deputy, Elizabeth French, to confirm the actual date for trial.

Pursuant to the provisions of Local Rule 16.5, counsel shall meet prior to the conference to accomplish the following:

- (1) to discuss and negotiate settlement of the action;
- (2) to draft and sign a stipulation as all uncontested facts;
- (3) to narrow the issues to be tried;
- (4) to show to all parties any and all exhibits to be offered at trial;
- (5) to notify all parties of the names and addresses of all witnesses to be called at trial, including names and qualifications of expert witnesses.

Counsel shall jointly prepare and file, by December 30, 2008, pretrial memorandum which sets forth the following:

- (1) a concise statement of the evidence that will be offered all parties with

- respect to both liability and damages (including special damages, if any);
- (2) a statement of facts established by the pleadings, by admissions or by stipulations. Counsel shall stipulate to all facts not in genuine dispute;
 - (3) contested issues of fact;
 - (4) any jurisdictional questions;
 - (5) any question raised by pending motions;
 - (6) issues of law, including evidentiary questions, together with supporting authority;
 - (7) any requested amendments to pleading;
 - (8) any additional matters to aid in disposition of the case;
 - (9) the probable length of trial and whether jury or non-jury;
 - (10) a list of the names and addresses of witnesses who will testify at trial and the purpose of the testimony;
 - (11) a list of the proposed exhibits to be offered at trial. Counsel shall distinguish those exhibits to be introduced without objection from those to be introduced with objection;
 - (12) any proposed jury instructions, special verdict form or special interrogatories. If counsel cannot agree on any particular instruction, special verdict question or interrogatory, each party shall submit a proposed instruction, special verdict question or interrogatory in response to the opponent's proposal.

Immediately upon receipt of this Order, any counsel who realizes that one or more attorneys have not been notified shall forthwith notify the additional attorney(s) in writing as to the entry of this Order and file a copy of the writing with the Clerk.

Compliance with this Order is not excused absent the filing of closing papers or the entry of Settlement Order of Dismissal in a form prescribed by the Court.

PLEASE NOTE: The Court requires twenty-four (24) hour notice of settlement. Any settlement on the eve of trial may result in the imposition of costs, including the costs associated with unnecessarily bring in jurors.

BY THE COURT:

July 16, 2008
Date

/s/ Elizabeth A. French
Elizabeth A. French, Deputy Clerk